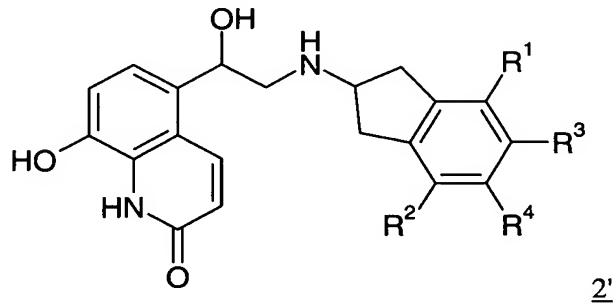


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

Listing of Claims:

1) (Original) A composition comprising one or more salts of tiotropium **1** and one or more pharmacologically acceptable salts of a compound of formula **2'**



2'

wherein

R¹ and R² which may be identical or different denote hydrogen or C₁-C₄-alkyl;
R³ and R⁴ which may be identical or different denote hydrogen, C₁-C₄-alkyl, -O-C₁-C₄-alkyl, -C₁-C₄-alkylene-O-C₁-C₄-alkyl or
R³ and R⁴ together denote one of the bridging groups
- C₁-C₄-alkylene- or -O-C₁-C₄-alkylene-O-; together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

2) (Original) The composition according to claim 1 wherein the one or more salts of tiotropium **1** is in the form of the chloride, bromide, iodide, methanesulphonate, paratoluene sulphonate or methyl sulphate.

3) (Original) The composition according to claim 1 wherein, for the compound of formula **2'**,

R¹ and R² which may be identical or different denote hydrogen, methyl or ethyl;
R³ and R⁴ which may be identical or different denote hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, propyl, butyl, methoxy, ethoxy, methoxymethyl, or methoxyethyl, or
R³ and R⁴ together denote one of the bridging groups

propylene, butylene, -O-ethylene-O- or -O-propylene-O-.

- 4) (Original) The composition according to claim 1 wherein the one or more salts of tiotropium 1 and the one or more pharmacologically acceptable salts of compound 2' are either present together in a single preparation or are contained in two separate preparations.
- 5) (Currently amended) The composition according to claim 4 wherein the weight ratios of 1 to 2' are in the range from 1:300 to 30:1.
- 6) (Currently amended) The composition according to claim 4 wherein a single application corresponds to a dosage of the combination of ~~active substances~~ compounds 1 and 2' of 0.01 to 10000 μ g.
- 7) (Original) The composition according to claim 4 that it is in the form of a formulation suitable for inhalation.
- 8) (Original) The composition according to claim 7 wherein the form is selected from the group consisting of inhalable powders, propellant-containing metering aerosols and propellant-free inhalable solutions or suspensions.
- 9) (Original) The composition according to claim 8 comprising an inhalable powder which contains 1 and 2 in admixture with suitable physiologically acceptable excipients selected from the group consisting of monosaccharides, disaccharides, oligo- and polysaccharides, polyalcohols, salts, and mixtures of these excipients.
- 10) (Original) The composition according to claim 9 wherein the excipient has a maximum average particle size of 250 μ m.
- 11) (Original) The composition according to claim 9 contained in a capsule.
- 12) (Currently amended) The composition according to claim 8 in the form of an inhalable powder consisting essentially of ~~active substances~~ compounds 1 and 2'.

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13) (Currently amended) The composition according to claim 8 in the form of a propellant-containing inhalable aerosol comprising ~~active substances~~ compounds 1 and 2' in dissolved or dispersed form.

14) (Original) The composition according to claim 8 in the form of a propellant-free inhalable solution or suspension comprising water, ethanol or a mixture of water and ethanol as a solvent.

15) (Currently amended) A method for treating inflammatory or obstructive diseases of the respiratory tract comprising the administration to a patient of a therapeutically effective amount of the composition according to claim 1-1.